Increase <u>your school's</u> academic potential with Washington Reading Corps!

Read about our success!



So why Washington Reading Corps?

- The Washington Service Corps is a national service AmeriCorps program administered by the Washington State Employment Security Department
- Created in 1998, the Washington Reading Corps (WRC) has served as a national model to improve the reading abilities of thousands of struggling readers in early learning sites through sixth grade
- The WRC places AmeriCorps members throughout high-need schools and early learning centers where the average free and reduced lunch percentage is 60%

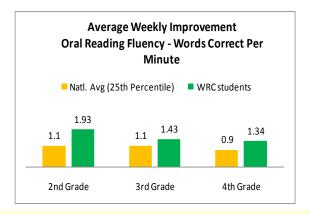
"Through the work of the WRC we are able to support many more struggling readers, close learning gaps and provide programming options that could not be offered without their presence. We are able to serve 20% more of our student body." -WRC site

Our strategies:

- Before-and after-school programming
- Community volunteer recruitment
- Family literacy events
- Language experience opportunities in both English and Spanish
- Provide extra support to students who are not reading at grade level through one-onone and small group tutoring
- Focus on helping students improve reading behaviors, attitudes, and self-confidence

Annual Data:

In 2010-2011, Over half (61%) of students tutored by WRC met benchmark or gained a grade level in reading (students were a grade or more behind)



Data collected on the results of the Dynamic Indicators Basic Early Literacy Skills (DIBELS) assessments from

This invaluable opportunity requires a cash match amount of \$1,500 per member

For more information:

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